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In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

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Group Art Unit: 2633

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Examiner: D.E. Singh

For:

OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM FOR REDUCING NON-LINEAR OPTICAL PHENOMENA USING MODULATION DEPTH CONTROL SYSTEM (AS AMENDED)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2003, now due to expire November 27, 2003, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on December 27, 2003.

Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

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Respectfully submitted,

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